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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE NO. 1-63-86

TO: FCIS COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SYSTEM - REPORTING ERRORS

This is to alert you to an apparent reporting error which is occurring on the Foster Child's Data Record (SOC 158A), the input document for the Foster Care Information System (FCIS).

Approximately six hundred children statewide are currently identified on the FCIS as receiving state-funded AFDC-FC payments while residing with relatives. Eligibility and Assistance Standards (EAS) Section 45-203.21 authorizes state-funded AFDC-FC payments only if the child is placed with a nonrelative or is living with a nonrelated legal guardian. If the child is placed with a relative, the case cannot be a state-funded AFDC-FC case.

To avoid future errors, please be aware that when the placement facility on line G, item 1 of the SOC 158A is identified as either code 02 (relative-guardian) or code 04 (relative-nonguardian), the case number should reflect an aid of other than state-funded AFDC-FC (aid code 40). To assist in correcting the existing errors, we will shortly be sending each county a list of cases which contain these reporting discrepancies. Upon receipt of your list, please investigate these cases and submit corrections as necessary.

If you have any further questions regarding the EAS policy cited above, please contact the Foster Care Program Bureau at (916) 445-0813. Questions regarding FCIS submittals should be directed to the Data Processing and Statistical Services Bureau at (916) 322-5462.

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